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RIO DE JANEIRO A-136 OF NOVEMBER 8, 1974

1. ON MARCH 15, 1975 THE FORMER STATES OF GUANABARA AND RIO DE JANEIRO WERE MERGED INTO THE NEW STATE OF RIO DE JANEIRO. GOVERNOR FARIA LIMA AND HIS STATE CABINET SWORN IN SUCCESSIVELY THAT DAY IN SERIES OF CEREMONIES MARKED BY CORRECTNESS, SMOOTH EXECUTION AND ABSENCE OF INAUGURAL CELEBRATIONS.

2. FARIA LIMA'S SIXTEEN STATE SECRETARIES ARE PRIMARILY TECHNICAL AND ARE DRAWN FROM THE LEGAL PROFESSION, PRIVATE ENTERPRISE AND GOVERNMENT, EITHER STATE OR FEDERAL. GOVERNOR'S FIRST ACTIONS CONSISTED OF SIGNING 406 ASSORTED DECREES REQUIRED TO SET IN MOTION THE ADMINISTRATIVE MACHINERY OF THE NEW STATE.

3. NEW STATE IS DIVIDED INTO SIXTEEN "MICRO-REGIONS". ONE OF THESE IS THE CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO WHICH INCLUDES ALL THE TERRITORY OF THE FORMER STATE OF GUANABARA. STATE BUDGET FOR 1975 IS DOLS. 1.4 BILLION. CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO'S

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1975 BUDGET IS DOLS. 300 MILLION.

4. NEW PREFECT OF MUNICIPALITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO,
MARCOS TAMOYO, AN APPARENTLY ABLE ENGINEER, WAS ALSO
SWORN IN MARCH 15. UNTIL ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE OF
THE MUNICIPALITY ESTABLISHED, GOVERNOR FARIA LIMA WILL RUN
THE CITY USING STATE GOVERNMENT RESOURCES.
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT WILL PROBABLY BE IN A POSITION TO ASSUME
MOST OF ITS DUTIES WITHIN THIRTY TO SIXTY DAYS.

5. GOVERNOR OF THE NEW STATE IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN MAKING
PUBLIC HIS PROGRAM AND PRIORITIES DURING FIRST WEEK IN
OFFICE.

6. AIRGRAM FOLLOWS.
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